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Applicant: Masakazu Hirose et al.

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## AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The three-month period for responding to the Office action of February 3, 2011 expired on May 3, 2011.

Applicants respectfully request and petition that the response period be extended by one month until June 3, 2011.

The surcharge fee for the extension of time is paid at the time of this electronic submission.

Responsive to the Office action dated February 3, 2011, applicants' respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.